

FILE! MISC  
SPILL INVEST.  
By Address. R.

MEMO TO FILE

FROM: J. Randall Lyman

RE: Former Fina Service Station at northwest corner of Sunshine and Seiger.

DATE: 5-15-92

At approximately 7:45 p.m. I received a call at home from Mr. Steve Strader, Battalion Chief with the Fire Department, informing me they had received a complaint from a nearby resident concerned about an underground storage tank removal project being performed at the vacant Fina station. The resident was concerned that the City or the Mo. Department of Natural Resources might not be aware that a release of gasoline may have entered the sewer systems or the environment.

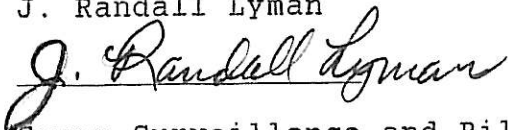
I told Mr Strader that I had received a call from Mrs. Deborah Paulsen with Sunbelt Industrial Services earlier this week requesting information for disposal of contaminated water into the POTW resulting from this removal project. I agreed to go to the site and investigate and inspect the project.

Upon arrival at the site at 8:00 p.m. I found the property mostly surrounded with barricades and taped off with yellow "caution" tape and a "no smoking" sign displayed. Two fiberglass tanks had been removed from the excavation, one of which had been broken up into several small pieces and the other completely intact. A very small amount of water was observed in the excavation with only a slight amount of petroleum present on top of the water. An absorbent boom was present in the water in the excavation to absorb floating contamination. At the front door of the old station there were ten steel 55 gallon drums, apparently full of liquid, labelled as flammable and bound with "caution" tape. It is assumed that these drums contained the contaminated water Mrs. Paulsen had contacted me about earlier this week.

I made a visual inspection of the storm sewer and sniffed the sanitary sewer for petroleum hydrocarbon presence; I found none. Based on my knowledge, it appeared to me that the tank removal operation site was secured well and was being orchestrated much like any qualified tank removal consultant would perform such service.

I conversed with Mr. Strader late in the evening and relayed my findings to him. I told him that I had tried to contact Mr. Chuck Kroeger of the D.N.R. but his wife said he was out of town on a fishing trip. Contact was made with Mr. Kroeger at 10:45 a.m. on 5-16-92 and he told me that Charles Collins of his office should be contacted regarding UST contamination on Monday. I will try to contact Mr. Collins and inform him of my findings and have him call Mr. Strader as well.

J. Randall Lyman



Sewer Surveillance and Billing Supervisor

3121 E. Sunshine

5/17/92

064-1500 GENE, CAN YOU CALL  
CHAS. COLLINS @ DNR  
TO SEE IF HE IS AWARE  
OF UST REMOVAL & CONTAMINATION.  
S. STRADER WANTS TO BE SURE WE  
ARE 'COVERED'. HAVE COLLINS.  
CALL STRADER TO EASE HIS MIND.  
THANKS, R.

I talked to Ed  
SEARS on 5-18-92.  
He WAS going to call  
Strader. Gene